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Mr. Richard J. DiSalvo, Acting Assistant Manager Environment and Stewardship U.S. Department of Energy, RFFO 10808 Highway 93, Unit A Golden, CO 80403-8200

RE: Notification by Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site (RFETS) to invoke the Rocky Flats Cleanup Agreement Standard Operating Protocol (RSOP) for Facility Component Removal, Size Reduction, and Decontamination Activities for Closure of the portions of RCRA Units 39 and 40 Located in Buildings 444 and 447

Dear Mr. DiSalvo:

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Division (the "Division") has reviewed the February 6, 2003 letter from DOE-RFFO and the accompanying notification package received on February 12, 2003, notifying us of your intent to utilize the RSOP for Facility Component Removal, Size Reduction, and Decontamination Activities (the "Component RSOP") for the closure of the remaining portions of interim status RCRA Units 39 and 40 located in Buildings 444 and 447. As stated in your letter, partial closure of Unit 40 will be completed pursuant to the two previously approved closure description documents for the Process Waste Sinks and the Acid Waste Tank System and the Cyanide Waste Tank System. Specifically, the portions of RCRA Units 39 and 40 that will be closed under this Component RSOP Notification are Units 39.01 (Roll/Fabric Filter System in Building 444), 39.02 (Roll/Fabric Filter System in Building 447), 40.04 (Process Waste Tank T-2), 40.05 (Process Waste Tank T-3), 40.35 (Holding Tank T-4), 40.36 (Sump Tank ST-5), and 40.37 (Tank T-6). We hereby formally agree that the activities described in the notification may proceed utilizing the Component RSOP, with the following conditions:

1.	In order for the Division to accept the complete or partial closure of any unit or portion thereof that remains after closure, a certification of closure must be submitted to the Division. The certification of closure will need to be signed by the facility and by an independent Colorado registered professional engineer (P.E.) in accordance with the requirements of the approved Closure Plan and Section 264.115 of the Colorado Hazardous Waste Regulations (6 CCR 1007-
	3). The certification of closure may be submitted for either a partial closure of a unit or when an entire unit has been completely closed. Regardless of when the certification of closure is prepared and submitted, it is expected that the certifying P.E. will be involved in the closure process to the extent necessary to adequately certify closure.

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- 2. An adequate hazardous waste determination must be performed on the wash and rinse waters from the closure activities and they must be managed and disposed of appropriately.
- 3. The tanks mentioned in Section 2.1.2 of Attachment 1 of the Component RSOP Notification will need to be checked for the presence of sludge. Any sludge found must be managed and disposed of as low-level mixed waste, unless an adequate characterization of the sludge shows otherwise.
- 4. The secondary containment for each of the tank systems must be included in the closure activities in order to achieve complete closure.

An active consultative process must be utilized to keep us informed of the decommissioning strategy, planning, and activities for this project. As mentioned in your letter, the building shell, including the floor, must not be breached during component removal activities without specific approval on a case-by-case basis from the Division. If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact me at (303) 692-3367 or James Hindman at (303) 692-3345.

Sincerely,

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